

In the Claims:

Please amend Claims 1 and 3, and add new Claims 11-15, as indicated below.

The status of all pending claims is as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) A substrate for a liquid crystal display, comprising:

a sealing material forming region provided in a peripheral portion ~~of the~~ of a  
~~base-substrate; and~~ substrate;

a display area defined within the sealing material forming region; and

a cell gap control layer, formed ~~inside the sealing material forming region, in~~  
the display area, that reduces a cell gap between the base substrate and an opposite substrate  
provided opposite to the base substrate, such that the cell gap in ~~a display~~ the display area  
where said cell gap control layer is formed is less than a gap in an area outside of said cell  
gap control layer.

2. (Original) A substrate for a liquid crystal display according to claim  
1, wherein the cell gap control layer is formed of a photosensitive resin.

3. (Currently Amended) A liquid crystal display comprising a pair of  
substrates and a liquid crystal sealed between the substrates, wherein one of said substrates  
includes a sealing material forming region provided in a peripheral portion of the ~~base~~

substrate; a display area defined within the sealing material forming region; and a cell gap control layer, formed ~~inside the sealing material forming region,~~ in the display area, that reduces a cell gap between ~~the base substrate and an opposite substrate provided opposite to the base substrate,~~ substrates, such that the cell gap in ~~a display~~ the display area where said cell gap control layer is formed is less than a gap in an area outside of said cell gap control layer.

4. (Original) A liquid crystal display according to claim 3, further comprising an adhesive which is spread on either of the substrates and which secures the pair of substrates to each other.

5. (Original) A liquid crystal display according to claim 3, further comprising a pillar spacer for maintaining the cell gap.

6. (Original) A liquid crystal display according to claim 3, further comprising a spherical spacer for maintaining the cell gap.

7. (Original) A liquid crystal display according to claim 3, wherein the cell gap control layer has a thickness greater than the cell gap.

8. (Previously Presented) A liquid crystal display according to claim 3, further comprising a sealing material formed on said sealing material forming region, wherein a thickness of said sealing material is greater than a thickness of said cell gap control layer.

9. (Previously Presented) A liquid crystal display according to claim 3 wherein the cell gap between said cell gap control layer and at least one of said substrates includes liquid crystal therein.

10. (New) A substrate for a liquid crystal display according to claim 1, further comprising:  
a plurality of gate bus lines formed on the base substrate; and  
an insulation film provided between the gate bus lines and the cell gap control layer.

11. (New) A substrate for a liquid crystal display according to claim 10, further comprising:  
a plurality of drain bus lines formed on the insulation film; and  
a protection film provided between the drain bus lines and the cell gap control layer.

12. (New) A substrate for a liquid crystal display according to claim 11, wherein the cell gap control layer is formed directly on the protection film.

13. (New) A liquid crystal display according to claim 3, further comprising:  
a plurality of gate bus lines formed on one of the substrates; and  
an insulation film provided between the gate bus lines and the cell gap control layer.

14. (New) A liquid crystal display according to claim 13, further comprising:  
a plurality of drain bus lines formed on the insulation film; and  
a protection film provided between the drain bus lines and the cell gap control layer.

15. (New) A liquid crystal display according to claim 14, wherein the cell gap control layer is formed directly on the protection film.